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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated 10/01/2002, having a shortened statutory response period set to expire on 01/02/2003, please amend the subject patent application as follows:

✓ Please cancel claims 1 through 4 and 10 through 19, without prejudice.

Please amend claim 5 to read as follows:

5.(Amended) A magnetic sleeve assembly, comprising:
a hollow cylindrical metal support sleeve;
a plurality of magnets positioned on a surface of said support sleeve;
a plurality of beveled bearing surfaces on said plurality of magnets, each said bearing surface being beveled at a first acute angle relative to said support sleeve;
at least one mounting bracket fastened to said support sleeve; and
at least one angled lip on said at least one mounting bracket;
each said bearing surface being contacted by said at least one lip on said at least one mounting bracket, angled at a second acute angle relative to said support sleeve,
to hold said plurality of magnets in place on said support sleeve.